

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 1337

Kazuo UTSUGI et al.

Attorney Docket Number: 101173-00014

Application Number: 10/050,842

Group Art Unit: 3623

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For:

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: April 6, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement dated March 10, 2006, the Applicants hereby elect Group I directed to Claims 1-6, drawn to one order in/out processing system. This election is made without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

In view of the Applicants' above election, Applicants respectfully submit that the Restriction Requirement has been satisfied. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request examination of elected Group I, Claims 1 – 6 on the merits.

Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment with respect to this paper to Deposit Account Number 01-2300, referencing Attorney Docket Number 101173-00014.

Respectfully submitted,

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